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**Parliamentary Joint Sittings Amendment Act 1981**

**No. 39 of 1981**

**An Act relating to joint sittings of the Parliament**

[*Assented to 1 May 1981*]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

**Short title**

**1.** This Act may be cited as the *Parliamentary Joint Sittings Amendment Act* 1981.

**Commencement**

**2.** This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

**Amendment of Evidence Act**

**3.** Section 2 of the *Evidence Act* 19051 is amended by adding “or held pursuant to any Act” at the end of the definition of “joint sitting of the Parliament”.

**Amendment of the Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act**

**4.** Section 3 of the *Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Act* 19462 is amended by adding “or held pursuant to any Act” at the end of the definition of “joint sitting” in sub-section (1).

**Amendment of the Parliamentary Papers Act**

**5.** Section 1A of the *Parliamentary Papers Act* 19083 is amended by adding “or held pursuant to any Act” at the end of the definition of “joint sitting”.

**NOTES**

1. No. 4, 1905, as amended by No. 43, 1934; No. 80, 1950; No. 48, 1956; No. 28, 1963; No. 53, 1964; No. 80, 1973; No. 216, 1973; No. 31, 1974; No. 14, 1978; and No. 139, 1979.

2. No. 20, 1946, as amended by No. 35, 1960; No. 94, 1973; No. 216, 1973; and No. 32, 1976.

3. No. 16, 1908, as amended by No. 64, 1935; No. 35, 1946; No. 29, 1963; and No. 33, 1974.